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Menomonie Police Department hosts first *Coffee with a Cop* of 2018 Meet local officers at McDonald's on March 16

Menomonie—On Friday, March 16 from 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m., members of the community are invited to meet officers from the Menomonie Police Department (MPD) at McDonald's, located at 1505 N Broadway, Menomonie, to discuss community issues and build relationships over a cup of coffee.

Coffee with a Cop allows for relaxed, one-on-one interactions between police officers and members of the community that they serve. Coffee with a Cop provides a unique opportunity for community members to ask questions and learn more about the Menomonie Police Department's work in the community.

Coffee with a Cop is a national initiative supported by The United States Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services. Similar events are being held across the country, as local police departments strive to enhance relationships and communication with their communities. MPD adopted the program in 2016.

"The MPD cordially invites you to come meet our officers at McDonald's. We look forward to discussing current events, answering your questions, addressing community concerns and talking to folks who just stop by to say hello," said Police Chief Eric Atkinson.

The program aims to advance the practice of community policing through improving relationships between police officers and community members- one cup of coffee at a time.